

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend the title of the specification as follows:

DATABASE SYSTEM AND METHOD WITH ~~IMPROVED~~ ASSIGNED LOCKS

Please amend the heading on page 3, line 1, as follows:

Summary ~~Disclosure of the Invention~~

Please amend the heading on page 6, line 22, as follows:

Detailed Description ~~Mode(s) for Carrying Out the Invention~~